

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION HEALTH MEANS BUSINESS DAY

WHEREAS: Employers and those who manage workplaces understand that healthy

> communities are vital to economic growth and competitiveness. To achieve health and economic growth, employers must align to build healthier

communities throughout Georgia; and

WHEREAS: Georgia is creating a foundation for businesses to recruit and retain the best

and brightest people - in places where they want to live, work, and play; and

WHEREAS: Georgia is consistently ranked as a top state for business; and

WHEREAS: Georgia produces more peanuts, broilers (chickens), pecans, rye, and spring

> onions than any other state. Additionally, the state's technology, financial, and manufacturing sectors continue to grow rapidly, creating jobs in every corner

of the state; and

WHEREAS: The health and well-being of citizens is critical to Georgia's economic vitality.

In order to remain a prosperous state for business, Georgia businesses must

continue to work towards creating a culture of health in the workplace; and

WHEREAS: The Health Means Business Forum joins together workplaces, schools and

communities to address health and well-being rankings as collective unit; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim

September 15, 2016 as HEALTH MEANS BUSINESS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 7th day of September in the year of our

Lord two thousand sixteen.

ATTEST